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**Transmittal of Patent Application - Rule 1.53(b)**

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Title: **MICROFIBER ARTICLES FROM MULTI-LAYER SUBSTRATES**

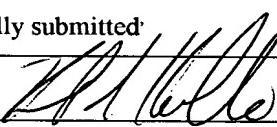
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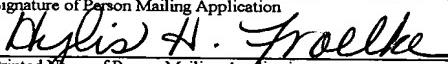
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